## NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

## Community Support Services for Individuals Discharged from State Psychiatric Hospitals who are Dually Diagnosed (DD-MI)

**TAKE NOTICE** that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, 34.5 and 34.6, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) hereby announces the availability of the grant program funds described herein.

**Program Name:** Community Support Services for Individuals Discharged from State Psychiatric Hospitals who are Dually Diagnosed (DD-MI)

**Purpose:** This Request for Proposals (RFP) is issued by the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) seeks proposals to develop CSS to serve individuals 18 years of age and older, who are ready for discharge from a state psychiatric hospital and are dually diagnosed with a developmental disability and/or cognitative impairment and a serious mental illness. By virtue of this this program development, services must facilitate the discharge of persons on Conditional Extension Pending Placement (CEPP) status at a state psychiatric hospital. Many of these individuals also have co-existing medical conditions or co-occurring substance use disorders, have experienced periods of long-term institutionalization, and/or are refusing to leave the hospital.

Specifically, the DMHAS is seeking to develop new community support services (CSS) for dually diagnosed DD-MI in the following state hospital catchment area:

- Five (5) beds: Ancora Psychiatric Hospital: (Burlington, Camden, and Gloucester)
- Five (5) beds: Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital: (Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Union, Warren)

**Available Funding Amount:** The DMHAS will initiate a deficit funded contract for a period of six (6) months, after which the deficit funded contract will be transitioned into the fee for service network, subject to State appropriations. The funding available for this initiative is up to \$475,000 subject to State appropriations.

## Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications:

To be eligible for consideration for this RFP, the bidder must satisfy the following requirements:

- The bidder must be a non-profit, for-profit entity or governmental entity;
- The bidder must be licensed by the Department of Health's (DOH's) Office of Licensing prior to the start of services;
- For a bidder that has a contract with DMHAS in place when this RFP is issued, that bidder must have all outstanding Plans of Correction (PoC) for deficiencies submitted to DMHAS for approval prior to submission;
- The bidder must be fiscally viable based upon an assessment of the bidder's audited financial statements. If a bidder is determined, in DMHAS' sole discretion, to be insolvent or to present insolvency within the twelve (12) months after bid submission, DMHAS will deem the proposal ineligible for contract award;
- The bidder must not appear on the State of New Jersey Consolidated
  Debarment
  Report
  at
  <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/debarment/debarsearch.shtml">http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/debarment/debarsearch.shtml</a> or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds;
- The bidder shall not employ a member of the Board of Directors in a consultant capacity;
- Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, a for-profit bidder and each proposed subcontractor must have a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue. (This statutory requirement does not apply to non-profit organizations, private colleges and universities, or state and municipal agencies);
- The bidder must attend the Mandatory Bidders conference as described in the RFP.

**Proposal Procedure:** Effective January 17, 2019, the RFP is available at <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html">www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html</a> and <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/">www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/</a>. A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

**Proposal Receiving Office:** 

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Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services

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**Submission Deadline:** Proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m. on February 25, 2019.

Notification Date: Bidders will be notified on or before March 29, 2019.

Carole Johnson, Commissioner

Date